

Claims

1. A device for perfuming, deodorising or sanitising air or enclosed spaces which comprises:

5 a. an anhydrous gel element formed by cross-linking a functionalised liquid polymer with a crosslinking agent in the presence of a non-aqueous perfume, deodorising or sanitising base; and

10 b. separate timing means for proving an end-of-life indication.

2. A device according to claim 1 wherein the functionalised liquid polymer is selected from maleinised polybutadiene, maleinised polyisoprene or a copolymer of 15 ethylene and maleic anhydride and the crosslinking agent contains at least two complementary functional groups.

3. A device according to claim 1 or 2 wherein the non-aqueous perfume, deodorising or sanitising base constitutes 20 from 60 to 95wt% of the gel element.

4. A device according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the timing means comprises an additional element which visibly shrinks over the intended lifetime of the 25 device.

5. A device according to claim 4 wherein the additional element comprises a gel which shrinks at a greater rate than said anhydrous gel element.

6. A device according to any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein the additional element comprises particles which shrink, compact or dissolve.

5 7. A device according to claim 6 wherein the particles comprise a maleic anhydride-isobutylene copolymer.

8. A device according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the timing means provides an end-of-life indication
10 after from 28 to 40 days use of the device.

9. A device according to any one of the preceding claims which comprises actuating means which, when actuated, activates the device to release the perfuming, deodorising
15 or sanitising substance and activates the timing means.

10. A device according to claim 9 wherein the actuating means comprises an impermeable foil which covers both the perfuming, deodorising or sanitising substance and the
20 timing means.